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SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT TO WASHINGTON BY QUAI D'ORSAY PLANNING
STAFF

1. QUAI D'ORSAY'S POLICY PLANNING STAFF (CENTRE D'ANALYSE ET DE PREVISION, OR CAP) HAD PLANNED INFORMAL VISIT TO WASHINGTON AT THE END OF FEBRUARY FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH DEPARTMENT (PARTICULARLY S/PC - LORD) AND PENTAGON STAFFS. WE WERE INFORMED FEBRUARY 13, HOWEVER, THAT VISIT MUST BE POSTPONED. CAP STAFF WISHES TO RE-SCHEDULE VISIT FOR WEEK OF MARCH 11. VISITORS WOULD INCLUDE THIERRY DE MONTBRIAL, JEAN-LOUIS GERGORIN AND PIERRE MOREL OF THE CAP STAFF. THEY WOULD LIKE TO SPEND AN ENTIRE DAY WITH S/PC - LORD, AND HAVE MEETINGS WITH OTHER DEPARTMENT AND PENTAGON OFFICIALS AS APPROPRIATE, E.G. SONNENFELDT, HARTMAN AND WEISS AT STATE, BARTHOLOMEW AND AND MARSHALL AT DOD. THEY ARE OPEN TO ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR OTHER CONTACTS THAT WE MIGHT PROPOSE.

2. CAP STAFF ENVISIONS REMAINING IN WASHINGTON FOR APPROXIMATELY THREE DAYS OF CONSULTATIONS. THEY ALSO EXPECT TO SPEND SEVERAL DAYS AT HARVARD EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER VISIT TO WASHINGTON. FRENCH EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON WILL HANDLE ALL ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CAP VISIT (E.G. HOTEL, TRANSPORTATION). CAP STAFF HAS REQUESTED THAT ABOVE INFORMATION BE PASSED TO FRENCH EMBASSY FOR ITS INFORMATION.

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3. FYI: CAP STAFF HAS TOLD US THAT THEY PREFER TO WORK

THROUGH EMBASSY PARIS (RATHER THAN FRENCH EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON)
TO ARRANGE SUBSTANTIVE ASPECTS OF VISIT. END FYI. IF TIMING
IS ACCEPTABLE TO S/PC AND OTHERS, WE WOULD LIKE TO PASS TO
CAP STAFF NEXT WEEK SCHEDULE OF CALLS DEPARTMENT SUGGESTS FOR
THEIR VISIT, AS WELL AS ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT MIGHT BE
USEFUL TO STAFF IN PREPARING FOR VISIT. IF WEEK OF MARCH 11 IS
INCONVENIENT FOR DEPARTMENT, PLEASE SUGGEST ALTERNATIVE
DATES. IRWIN

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